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The Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) is a ministerial-level academic organization and research center for the natural sciences. Established in November 1949, CAS began with 22 research institutes and currently operates approximately 120. As part of the academy's effort to enhance its leadership, a large number of young scientists have been promoted to leading positions within the organization.

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President since 1981

Lu, 71, is a structural chemist. He graduated from Xiamen University in 1934, studied in England and received a Ph.D. from the University of London in 1939. He later did research at the California Institute of Technology. Returning to China in 1945, Lu taught at Xiamen University from 1946 to 1960 and at Fudan University from 1960 to 1981.



Yan Dongsheng
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Yan, 68, is an inorganic chemist. He is a graduate of Yanjing University in Beijing and holds a Ph.D. from the University of Illinois. Yan became a vice president of the Shanghai branch of the CAS and director of the Shanghai Institute of Ceramics in 1978. In 1980 he was appointed a vice president of the Shanghai University of Science and Technology. In early 1981 he became a member of the CAS Academic Degrees Committee. He serves concurrently as head of the academy's Chemistry Division.



Sun Honglie
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Sun, 54, is a soil scientist and geographer. He graduated from Beijing Agricultural University in 1954. In addition to serving as a CAS vice president, he is chairman of the academy's Committee for Integrated Survey of Natural Resources.



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Zhou, 57, is a theoretical physicist. He graduated from the physics department of Qinghua University in 1951 and then worked as a researcher at a nuclear physics institute in Moscow for four years. He became director of the Theoretical Physics Institute in Beijing in 1984.

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